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EQUITABLE BOARD ADMITS ILLEGAL ACTS AND SHIFTS BLAME TO INDIVIDUALS

Joins With State of New York in Asking a Full Investigation of Irregularities—Loans to Depew Improvement Company and Mercantile Trust Are Among Those Acknowledged—Executive Fees Given Under Guise of Salaries—Deposits of Large Sums in Certain Banks, and Consolidation of Financial Institutions Declared the Truth.

MATTERS NOT KNOWN TO ALL OF GOVERNING BODY.

New York, Aug. 25.—The Equitable Life Assurance Society to-day joined with the state of New York in asking for a full investigation of the irregularities of its directors and officers. The document which announced this action was the answer of the forty-five Equitable directors to charges made against them in connection with a suit against the Equitable Life Assurance Society by the state.

Admission is made that some officials of the Equitable have been guilty of improper and illegal acts. In all, thirteen directors are named, and the charges against them are as follows:

Among the charges are: That the directors have been guilty of illegal acts in connection with the loans to the Depew Improvement Company, the Mercantile Trust Company, and the Commercial Union Trust Company. That the directors have been guilty of illegal acts in connection with the deposits of large sums in certain banks, and the consolidation of financial institutions.

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EAST SIDE POSSE WILL BAR LANDING

Regardless of Clearances, Eva Alma Will Not Be Permitted to Tie Up on St. Clair County Frontage.

Last night the police and the Sheriff's posse continued the armed vigil on the river, caused by the flight of the Eva Alma, the St. Clair County and East St. Louis authorities declaring that no matter how many bills of lading the launch and the barge had, no landing would be permitted on St. Clair County land.

Armed with shotguns, a squad of twenty Deputy Sheriffs, under Sheriff J. W. Thompson, of Belleville, and Chief Deputy Sheriff Charles Castel of East St. Louis, half a dozen East St. Louis policemen, had patrolled the Mississippi River on the St. Clair County frontage, from midnight until 7 a. m. yesterday. With only the lights required by law, the big steamboat, captained by Captain John J. McCallan, and the launch, the Eva Alma, and the barge, were searched and the river was closed to the launch and the barge.

The news that the Eva Alma and barge, with supposed yellow fever refugees, were coming up the river and might attempt a landing on the East Side did not reach the Sheriff's posse until almost 11 p. m. Thursday. Lieutenant of Police Doyle of East St. Louis hurried a big squad of police to the river and the launch and the barge were searched and the river was closed to the launch and the barge.

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"BUCKET SHOPS" UNDER DISCUSSION; ELEVENTH DISTRICT OPENS FRIDAY

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Dalton Called Before Police Board to Give a Legal Opinion Upon the Matter—Two Promotions Among Patrolmen—Charges Presented Against Policeman Morris—World's Fair Wagon Crew Goes to New Station.

"Bucket shops" were under discussion by the Board of Police Commissioners yesterday afternoon.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Dalton was called before the board to give a legal opinion on the matter. Dalton stated that he was in favor of the bucket shops, but that he was in favor of the bucket shops, but that he was in favor of the bucket shops.

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WALL STREET SCOOPS WEST

Captures All of the \$1,500,000 Philippine Temporary Certificates of Indebtedness—St. Louis Not in Bidding.

The Republic Bureau, West Building, 14th and F streets, Washington, Aug. 25.—Wall Street was victorious in the effort to capture \$1,500,000 of Philippine temporary certificates of indebtedness, bids for which were opened in the Bureau of Interior Affairs here today.

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HOLMES INDICTED IN COTTON SCANDAL

Former Associate Statistician Charged With a Conspiracy.

Washington, Aug. 25.—Edwin S. Holmes Jr. of Washington, D. C., until recently Associate Statistician of the Department of Agriculture, but who was dismissed as an outcome of the investigation into the leakage in the cotton-crop reports, has been indicted by the Federal grand jury on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the government.

This indictment was made to-night by United States District Attorney Morgan H. Beach, just after he had returned from New York City, where he had been instrumental in causing the arrest of Frederick A. Peckham, the New York broker, at Saratoga, and Moses Haas of New York.

There are two indictments charging the charges against the three men. Holmes, who has been away from Washington for some time, and whose whereabouts has not been generally known, will be here to-morrow morning to answer to the indictment.

Section 540 of the Revised Statutes, under which Holmes is indicted, and which, it is understood, forms the gravamen of the charges against the three men, provides that if two or more persons conspire either to commit any offense against the United States or to defraud to cotton brokers in any manner, all parties to such conspiracy shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$10,000 and not more than two years.

The report of the Secret Service agents into the charges against the three men, which was made to-day by the New York City, where he had been instrumental in causing the arrest of Frederick A. Peckham, the New York broker, at Saratoga, and Moses Haas of New York.

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LAUNCH FROM SOUTH SPORT COMMENDED ALLOWED TO DEPART BY THE PRESIDENT

Investigation Conducted by Doctor Dwyer Convincing That Occupants of Eva Alma Were Not From Fever-Infected Points.

The launch Eva Alma, with six persons aboard, was permitted to depart for its destination yesterday, after having excited the municipal authorities of East St. Louis and St. Clair County, and even the Federal government, as represented by Colonel Woodruff, who was in command of the launch.

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ROOSEVELT BECOMES HONORARY PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ATHLETIC LEAGUE AND STRONGLY INDORSES ITS WORK.

President Roosevelt's letter accepting the honor of the presidency of the league is dated August 25, and addressed to C. N. Wingate.

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MOSES HAAS ARRESTED AND RELEASED ON BAIL

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